

# Saifuddin: Produce more outstanding human capital



**SAIFUDDIN** (left) unveils the symbolic copy of 'UNIMAS Strategy 2015' as Khairuddin (2<sup>nd</sup> right) looks on.

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**KUCHING:** Institutions of higher learning in the country must be managed well so as to produce outstanding human capital for the country.

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Deputy Minister of Higher Education Dato' Saifuddin Abdullah, said this while speaking at the launching of a strategic planning book for Universiti

Malaysia Sarawak (UNIMAS) entitled 'UNIMAS Strategy 2015' at its campus yesterday morning,

He also pointed out that the universities in the country must



**SAIFUDDIN** (left) and Khairuddin (2<sup>nd</sup> right) showing the book to the media after its launching.

hold themselves accountable for their own actions while being able to measure their own performances.

"Universities are places where we develop good human capital and outstanding citizens; as such they must be in good hands to ensure that they are quality institutions.

"You (the universities) should have programmes or activities that can help to meet the goal. Each instrument or idea must be chosen carefully so that the resources are used wisely," said Saifuddin.

He commended UNIMAS for its progress and successes while urging the university to locate its niche areas of strength, capitalising on its uniqueness of being located at the Borneo Island where biodiversity is abundant.

Meanwhile, UNIMAS Vice Chancellor, Prof Datuk Dr Khairuddin Ab Hamid, in his speech earlier briefed Dato' Saifuddin on UNIMAS' progress and successes.

He mentioned various programmes including the computer and ICT (Information &

Communication Technology) facilities at the university, which aimed at boosting its excellence in learning and teaching, would help the nation to produce top-notch human capital.

Khairuddin pointed out that having a good culture of learning and teaching was important for the university and that various targets had been set by the university to achieve more success.

Also present at the launching ceremony this morning were senior staff members of the university.